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UPI013
(ISRAEL)

TEL AVIV (UPI)-- ISRAEL ACCEPTED TODAY A U.S. PEACE PROPOSAL WHEREBY, GOVERNMENT SOURCES SAID, IT WOULD PARTIALLY LIFT THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF THE EGYPTIAN 3RD ARMY IN RETURN FOR A PRISONER EXCHANGE AND THE END TO THE BLOCKADE OF THE BAB EL-MANDEB STRAITS.

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THE MIDDLE EAST PACKAGE WAS WORKED OUT WITH THE EGYPTIANS IN CAIRO BY SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER AND BROUGHT TO PRIME MINISTER GOLDA MEIR'S GOVERNMENT LAST NIGHT BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE JOSEPH SISCO.
MRS. MEIR'S CABINET GAVE ITS BLESSING TO THE PLAN IN A SPECIAL MORNING MEETING, THE SOURCES SAID, AND THEN THE PRIME MINISTER MET SISCO FOR 90 MINUTES TO TELL HIM OF THE ACCEPTANCE AND DISCUSS FURTHER DETAILS.
"I HAVE FINISHED USEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AND HER COLLEAGUES," SISCO SAID FOLLOWING THE SESSION. "I AM OPTIMISTIC."
HE SAID HE WAS FLYING TO RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA, TO JOIN THE KISSINGER TOUR, WHOSE STOPOVER IN AMMAN, JORDAN, BROUGHT STATEMENTS FROM U.S. OFFICIALS OPTMISTIC OF AN ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN AGREEMENT THAT WILL PREVENT ANOTHER OUTBREAK OF FIGHTING.
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ADD ISRAEL, TEL AVIV
ACCORDING TO THE GOVERNMENT SOURCES, THE PLAN COMES IN THE FOLLOWING PARTS:
--ISRAEL WILL ALLOW A U.N.-SUPERVISED SUPPLY CORRIDOR INTO THE EGYPTIAN 3RD ARMY, WHOSE 20,000 MEN ARE SURROUNDED ON THE SOUTHERN END OF THE SUEZ CANAL, SO LONG AS CAIRO DOES NOT HAVE FULL CONTROL OF THE ROUTE. NO MILITARY SUPPLIES WILL BE ALLOWED IN.
--THERE WILL BE FULL EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS OF WAR WITH EGYPT, BEGINNING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE WOUNDED. ISRAEL HOLDS ABOUT 8,000 EGYPTIAN PRISONERS WHILE LISTING ABOUT 350 OF ITS MEN MISSING ON THE SOUTHERN FRONT.
--THE EGYPTIANS WILL LIFT THEIR BLOCKADE OF THE BAB EL-MANDEB STRAIT, ISRAEL'S SEA EXIT TO ASIA AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE RED SEA. THE BLOCKADE HAD PREVENTED SHIPS FROM ARRIVING FROM OR DEPARTING TO ASIA FROM THE BACKDOOR PORT AT ELAT.
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--THERE WILL BE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN SENIOR ISRAELI AND EGYPTIAN OFFICERS ABOUT "TIDYING UP" THE CEASE-FIRE LINE IN ORDER TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR U.N. FORCES TO POLICE AND IN ORDER TO PREVENT MISTAKEN CLASHES.

--BOTH SIDES UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE TO BE FURTHER DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS ON A PERMANENT PEACE SETTLEMENT AS CALLED FOR IN U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 338, THE DOCUMENT THAT FORMED THE BASIS FOR THE FIRST CEASE-FIRE OCT. 22, AFTER 18 DAYS OF WAR.

THE SOURCES HAD SAID THAT THREE ISSUES--THE EGYPTIAN 3RD ARMY, THE PRISONERS AND THE BAB EL-MANDEB BLOCKADE--WERE THE MAIN OBSTACLES CONFRONTING KISSINGER'S ATTEMPT TO CEMENT THE SHAKY CEASE-FIRE AND MOVE ON TOWARD A FULL SETTLEMENT. THESE, THEY SAID, WERE THE TARGETS OF HIS PEACE OFFENSIVE BEGINNING IN WASHINGTON WITH LAST WEEK'S MEETINGS WITH MRS. MEIR AND ARAB OFFICIALS AND CONTINUING INTO THIS WEEK'S SWING THROUGH THE ARAB WORLD.

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